NT322 (MGT-322)

Preparedness and Response to Agricultural Terrorism

Delivered by Louisiana State University (LSU), Academy of Counter-Terrorist Education and LSU School of Veterinary Medicine

Course Description

The course Preparedness and Response to Agricultural Terrorism is to provide community planners as well as those in the food production chain who would be among the first to note the effects of an attempted attack on the nation's food supply, with information to respond to an act of agricultural terrorism.

Participants will learn how to prepare for and respond to a terrorist attack on the nation's agricultural industry, and what resources are available at the local, state, and federal levels. In addition, they will learn how to implement an ICS according to NIMS for an attack to the local food supply. Finally, participants will understand how to effectively monitor plant and animal diseases and "farm-to-fork" food processing in order to prevent or deter agricultural terrorist incidents.

Course Objectives

- Ability to recognize possible targets of opportunity in their region
- Understand the resources that may be available within the community/region
- Develop and present a comprehensive response plan for their region
- Develop an infrastructure of community sources
- Develop a plan to identify, collect, and share information with state and federal agencies

Course Length

• 24 hours

Target Audience/Discipline

- Emergency Management
- Governmental Administrative
- Health Care
- Public Health
- Agricultural business (fertilizer distributors, feed lots, grain elevators)
- Regulatory agencies (USDA, FDA, State Agricultural department)
- Agricultural trade associations
- Research/extension services
- Community Planners
- Wildlife Officials
- Public Information Officers
- Veterinarians